

Rec^d March 16th



London

Sir I have this moment seen
in the London Journal of
Botany an announcement that
Dr Pender's dried plants
from Santa Fe are for sale
in your hands.

I beg permission to subscribe
for the larger sets of 400
or 500 upon the terms
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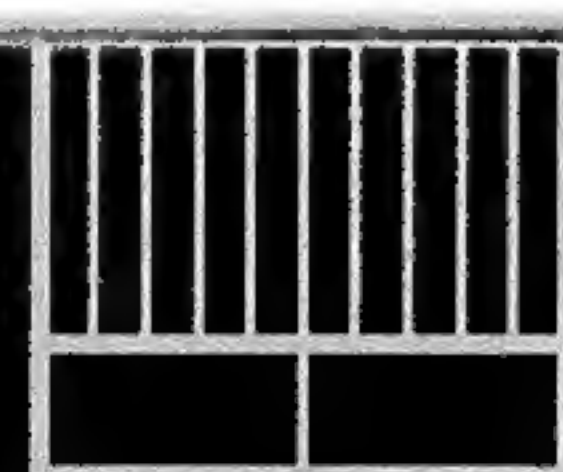
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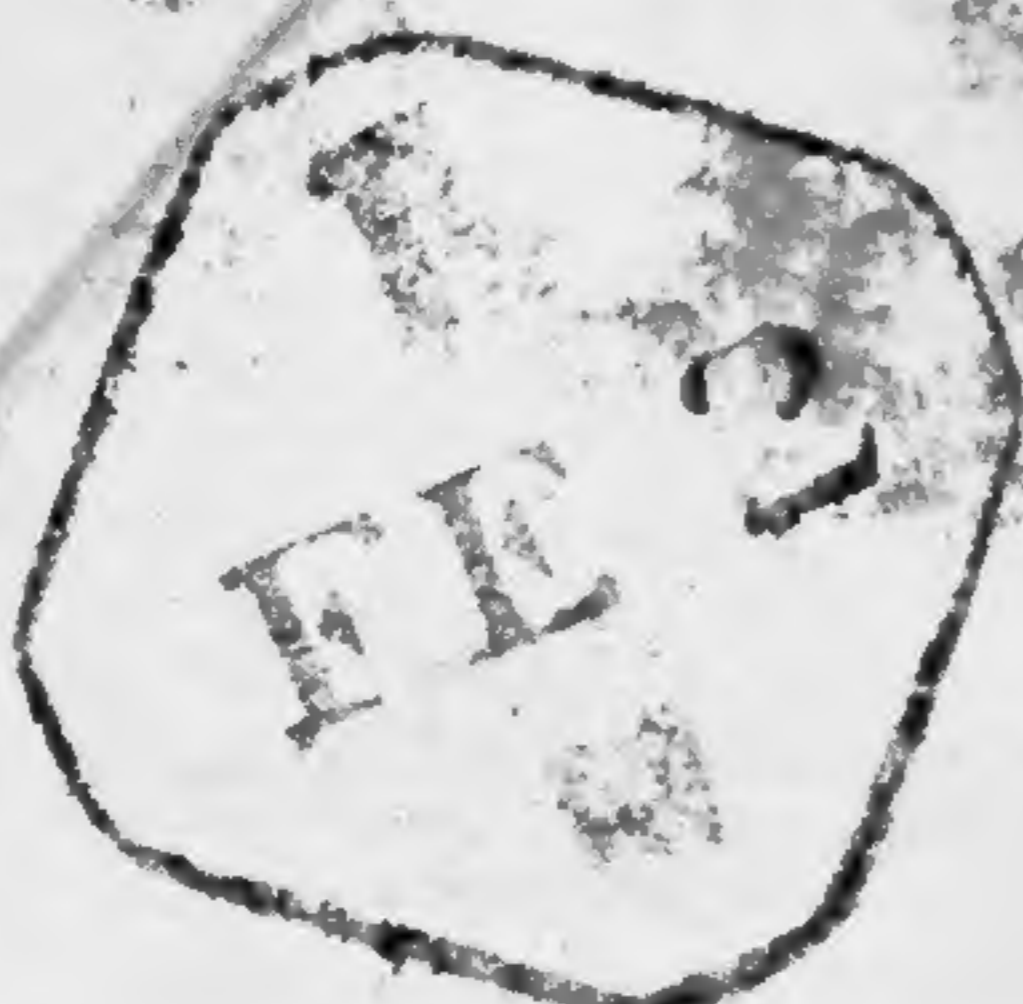
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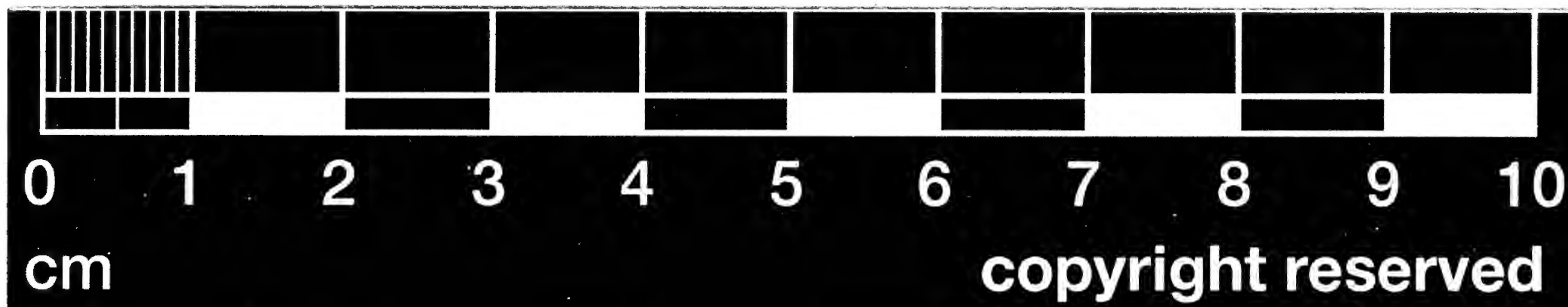


Sir,
The Horticultural Society of London being desirous of extending its correspondence among gentlemen whose residence in places far from England gives them favourable opportunities of obtaining seeds of handsome plants either unknown or rare in Europe, I take the liberty of inviting you whose name is so well known in Botany, to assist in this undertaking.

The Horticultural Society consists of nearly a thousand members, all of whom are interested in Gardens. Our practice for many years has been to distribute among our members seeds introduced by our own collectors some of whose names (as Douglas, Hartweg, Fortune &c) are well known to you. Circumstances however lead our Council now to endeavour to procure the necessary supplies of seeds through local correspondents in different places, by which means it is hoped that a greater variety may be obtained than through any single traveller.

The Society being Horticultural, not Botanical, the kinds of plants which are wanted are handsome annual

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or herbaceous plants or shrubs, which flower freely when small, or Coniferous plants, and especially such as do not require more protection in winter than a greenhouse will supply. A portion of each kind is given to each member whenever it is possible to do so, on which account a large parcel of each sort is required. This being the case we prefer receiving only 10 or 12 kinds of seed of really fine things in any one season, rather than a small quantity of many kinds.

It would afford the Society great satisfaction if you could make it convenient to assist in this operation, either personally, or through any one acting under your special directions. Of course it is not intended by this proposal to cause you any expense; on the contrary we hope that the cost of your own pursuits may be in part defrayed by the payment the Society is ready to make in return for the services rendered.

In ignorance of what your neighbourhood may be able to supply easily of the kind above described, and also in some uncertainty as to how the plan now adopted by the Society may work, we are rather at a loss to know what sum



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might be sufficient to enable you to assist in this experiment.
I am however authorized to say that your bill for £25 will
be duly honoured if drawn upon me at this place at 30 days
sight, on account of such a consignment of seeds as I have just
described. Should that be regarded by you as sufficient to
enable the operation to commence, as ^{the} present plan of
introducing seeds is successful we ^{shall} it advisable to
place hereafter a larger sum at your disposal.

The seeds should be despatched by the quickest convey-
-ance at your command addressed to me at
5 Upper Wellington Street Covent Garden
London, a letter of advice announcing
their despatch preceding them.

I am Dear Sir

Yours faithfully
John Lindley
Vice-Secretary

D^r Engelmann,

St. Louis,

Missouri, U. S.



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